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Date of Interview: 06 December 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
 c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
 If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Royal.


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

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(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The Final Rejection of 11/08/07 was discussed including disagreement of the interpretation of Royal. The examiner contends that Royal teaches a passage as claimed; defined by plate 54 and fixed plate 74 with second folding arm 80/82 capable of movement through the passage; as shown in figures 4, 6, and 7. Applicant disagrees with the interpretation of the "passage" and argued that Royal does not disclose all of the claimed limitations in combination. Because the application is under Final Rejection the examiner suggested to file either a Pre-Appeal request or Appeal Brief for further consideration of this argument.